

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

KEVIN B. OROPEZA,	§
	§ No. 246, 2010
Defendant Below-	§
Appellant,	§
	§
v.	§ Court Below—Superior Court
	§ of the State of Delaware, in and
STATE OF DELAWARE,	§ for New Castle County
	§ Cr. ID 91009357DI
Plaintiff Below-	§
Appellee.	§

Submitted: January 14, 2011

Decided: February 17, 2011

Before **BERGER, JACOBS** and **RIDGELY**, Justices.

ORDER

This 17th day of February 2011, after careful consideration of the parties' briefs and the record on appeal, we find it manifest that the Superior Court's judgment denying appellant's first motion for postconviction relief should be affirmed. Appellant's motion, filed almost eighteen years after his conviction became final, was time-barred. Appellant failed to overcome that procedural hurdle.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the judgment of the Superior Court is AFFIRMED.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Jack B. Jacobs
Justice